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We Deem It A Wise Choice —
Naming A. E. Kirchman Mayor

In Belle Glade it will be Mayor Kirchman for another two years. In the election held on Tuesday of this week he won re-election by a wide margin over his opponent, Mr. W. P. Allard, his opponent. One opponent received 144 votes and the other 6 votes while the young and progressive mayor was amassing a total of 342 votes.

Young Kirchman was running for re-election on the record he had established as mayor during the past two years and the vote he received is evidence that the citizens of Belle Glade were in accord with that record.

Quiet and unassuming, Mayor Kirchman went about his duties as mayor during the past couple of years in a manner becoming a man of many more years political and municipal experience. The town under his leadership and with the wholehearted cooperation of the town council has made rapid strides in its progressive work. The accomplishments brought about as a result of the teamwork of the council and the mayor are too numerous to mention here. Those of us who live as neighbors to those in control of the town's destinies know that every move was made with one thought in view—making Belle Glade a bigger and better place in which to live.

Since May 1941 for another two years and this newspaper joins his thousands of friends in the Lake Okeechobee Region in wishing him the best of luck during his second term in office.

Another Town Of Lake Okeechobee Wants A Banking Institution

A lot of water has evaporated out of Lake Okeechobee since the citizens of the Town of Okeechobee have had a banking institution ever since the first bank was established. The folks haven't stopped trying to secure such an institution. The Okeechobee News has had a great deal to say about a bank for that town and only recently commented upon the fact that Belle Glade had been issued a charter for a bank. The Belle Glade bank will operate under a charter granted by the federal government and will be a national bank. Comptroller J. M. Lee in his latest issue charter for banks doing business under the state banking laws of Florida.

However, the newspaper in Okeechobee in an interesting editorial last week suggests to the citizens to "Keep Trying" and no doubt, they will keep trying until they secure a banking institution. A part of the editorials read as follows:

"Because critical times make State Comptroller Lee feel the necessity of unusual caution in discussing new banks—and perhaps rightfully so in view of the fact that it will be the people's money that will be lost in case another depression should start a wave of bank failures—is no reason for Okeechobee to forget its hopes to secure authority to organize a bank to serve our people."

"Nor does the opening of Belle Glade's new national bank have any bearing on the subject. The charter for this bank was granted by the national comptroller in Washington and the time is too far from Okeechobee for that situation to have any effect. Still, Okeechobee Lee's decision should cause some change for the better and open the way for him to act."

"We should be looking ahead. We should be helping get our county and community houses in order—financially and otherwise. Let's push ahead with our job of building a city here—making such progress that there will be no room for doubt the next time in the state, comptroller for a bank charter."

Colonel Lee's caution doesn't apply only to Okeechobee. We note that he has declined to authorize a bank at South Jacksonville at this particular time, citing the same reasons he gave for declining our charter and for refusing to authorize a state bank at Belle Glade either by local people or by the duPonts—both in the face of heavy political pressure which didn't budge the comptroller an inch."

JAMMING THE WORKS

Editor Carl Hanton of the Fort Myers News-Press who is in charge of the Okeechobee Flood Control district, was handed a new club with which to belabor the cross-state ship canal when congress included that project in the rivers and harbors bills.

He predicts the bill will be fought on that account and stands a good chance of being vetoed by the president if it reaches him.

That would be bad news with Mr. Hanton—but for one thing. Authorization for further improvement of the cross-state waterway between Stuart and Fort Myers is in the bill too.

"It isn't a dog-in-the-manger attitude to oppose such a set-up," he contends. "In fact the shoe is on the other foot. If trying to include a project which should not stand on its own the ship can promoters and their political vassals are holding up a long list of unopposed and urgently needed

waterway improvements all over Florida."

Nor would the villainous aspects of the ship canal project disappear in the unlikely event of its approval by congress, the Fort Myers editor is convinced. By swallowing up a lion's share of the rivers and harbors money to which Florida is entitled the ship canners are getting something for other worthy projects, he argues.

All this might not be so serious if a ship canal across Florida could be justified from any standpoint. But a large number of Florida people are still unable to see it otherwise than a useless expenditure of public moneys. Fortunately congress has not yet been won over to any other view.—Palm Beach Post.

MILITAGE AND ASSESSMENT

J. M. Lee, state comptroller, got a good hearing as he told 100 lawyers from Polk, Hardee and Highlands counties here Monday night that he will refuse to approve any budget that does not show a reduction in millage in proportion to the increase in assessed valuation.

The comptroller already has rejected one county budget, and is hopeful that the first review will be favorable to other counties. He is especially emphatic in his suggestion that county commissioners and school board members work cooperatively and that a courageous and continuous effort be made to collect delinquent taxes as well as taxes that will be due under the final value assessment plan.

At present, the sum of the 1941 tax has been spent upon courageous action and the public's sense of responsibility, but the comptroller says he soon will see that they get stronger legal backing for enforcement. It is his view that henceforth tax delinquencies will be valid and reliable instruments instead of questionable scraps of paper.

"The 1941 laws were passed to work for the public on anyone," the comptroller said, "but just the reverse. They have been passed in order that each person shall carry his just and fair portion of the tax burden."

And there the comptroller touched upon the crux of the new laws. If the little taxpayer's bill begins to increase, he will kick over the truncheon immediately if the rather revolutionary undertaking that is in progress fails for want of unanimous cooperation. Indications are now that the taxes of small home-owners will be slightly lower.

Most Floridians seem inclined to give the full assessment-low millage plan a try, most of them assuming that almost any plan will bring better results than have been obtained by the existing system.

Most emphasis quite properly is being placed on collection of delinquent taxes. A conscientious taxpayer becomes irked when he sees other property owners failing freely.

Lakeland Ledger.

CUT COSTS SAY LEE

Comptroller Lee at present is Florida's "traveling" official. He's been making trips up and down the state in the interest of economy and efficiency, and, it has turned out, a double-barreled purpose.

First of all, his appearances before various audiences of citizens and officials have afforded him excellent opportunity to "sell" the new plan to the public. He has been doing a good press with the result that most taxpayers fail to realize how the new tax law will work. His meetings with officials also have given him a chance to emphasize his intention to enforce the law fearlessly and without favor.

At his recent conference with Hillsborough County Commissioners and Budget Board members he stressed that point, saying that "before any budget or tax roll receives my approval, the millage must come down in proportion to the increase in the assessed valuation."

We also were impressed with his appeal to county officials for help in eliminating unnecessary expenses of government. He said: "Particularly at this time, when our country is engaged in a costly defense program, it behoves us to practice every economy and make every possible sacrifice. If our young men are willing to leave home and join our sons in their country in the Army, certainly we can do without some of the frills at home."

Those same words ought to be recast in large letters and the whole thing framed for hanging on the wall of every conference room used by every Florida public official. This is no time for frills and increased budgets in local governments.—Tampa Morning Tribune.

TOURISTS COMING

If information garnered from the editor of his home town in Indiana is a sample of what is happening throughout the Middle West, Florida is headed for the gauntlet winter "since the boom."

For this one average northern county the following movement toward Florida exists: One family has sold its holdings and is located at Indian Rocks. Another has sold out and is settling near Orlando. The head of several tubercular hospitals in Ohio and Indiana has brought property in St. Petersburg. At least a dozen other families are planning to spend the winter in various parts of Florida.

People of the Middle West can reach Florida in half the time, or less, required to go to the Pacific coast. In the East there is even more balance of time and expense of travel in favor of Florida.

The movement is already being felt locally, with arrivals now stating their intention to stay through the winter perhaps permanently.

Regardless of all conditions, the winter of 1941-42 is already an apparent top level in all recent seasons.—Clermont Press.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

By Russell Kay

While Fall does not officially set in until September 21, for most of us the summer is over when schools re-open and we experience the hustle and bustle that attends getting the kiddies up and off to their reading, writing and "rithmetic."

Driving to work this morning I encountered hundreds of bright-eyed youngsters of all ages making their way to the school house. They were clean, neatly dressed, smiling, happy kids.

Passing a Jumbo High 1 aged numerous cars lined up at the curb. Others were coming along, too. They were clean, neatly dressed, their children and their neighbor's children to the "door of learning."

Of course there was nothing new or startling about such sights; we have all seen scenes like many like it, though typically American.

The question that framed itself in my mind today, however, was one that never occurred to me before: "What's the hurry?"

I could not help but contrast American children with those of other countries today. I could not help but ask myself, "How long will it be before dread and despair replace the happy smile on young faces, before gas masks become standard equipment?"

"How long" before students will be reduced to a heap of smoldering rubble?

But a little over a year ago parents in peace loving Holland, Belgium, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, etc., sent their children off to school clean, neat, well fed, bright eyed, smiling and happy. Those were neutral countries. They were not engaged in any kind of war.

For that matter, since they had not taken sides, were observing the strictest neutrality, they were safe and besides, they had treated us well.

Many other nations are similar. Families have been separated. Hunger and want stalk through the land. Such schools as are left are controlled by the government and education is aathenaeum state.

Education has become a farce. Propaganda and falsehood have become the text books to teach young minds to hate and fear.

Parents are forced to teach their children to hate and fear. Death and desolation have been added to the curriculum.

Surrender has not helped. Fighting them better, fighting them worse, bombing them worse, bombs and blizzards of conqueror and defender are a铭ed day and night.

Parents of Dutch, Belgian, Norwegian and Danish children are worried about their children.

They are kindly, hard working, peace loving folk.

They are proud of their clean, progressive communities, their love of freedom and their children. They are asked only to be allowed to live in peace, to worship as they chose, and to educate their children to become good citizens.

Parents of Americans descended upon them, appecers assured the populace that "It couldn't happen here." They continued to go about their business as though they were careful to note that nothing might be termed an "unfriendly act."

United and alert, these small democratic nations together with the aid of their more powerful allies are making a determined stand against aggression, but in vain.

They are fighting, but their only hope of deliverance at this hour rests with the ability of parents in the states to understand what has happened and what can be done.

The children of America, yours and mine, are no more secure today than the children of these and other conquered countries. What has happened there can and will happen here if we allow ourselves to be deceived and lulled into complacency by those who preach appeasement.

The dictators HATE America above all other nations. We already have done more to stay their aggression and beat them back than any other country. They have taught their children and their people to hate us and we will never be forgiven. Let Russia and Britain stand and with one back to the wall we will feel the heavy hand of war as no nation ever has felt it.

We would be crushed as no nation ever was crushed. Our children and mine would be the ones to pay.

We can face the facts now and while there is yet time, unite in thought and action to destroy our enemies and beat them with the power we will succeed. But if we hesitate, if we remain reluctant and ill prepared to sleep, we are destruction, and when that time comes there will be no deliverer.

PURELY POLITICAL

Congressman Lex Green of the second district affluences for the congressional at-large. His opponents are Representatives Ernest Gruening, Diamond, and Carl Gandy of Panama City, and former State Senator Jesse Parrish of Titusville.

Green's opponents are unkind enough to imply that he is merely a "yes man" to the congressional committee on public lands, a group stone to the拓者 of the Gandy.

Rep. E. Dennis, Duval County Representative, and State Senator Horace Madison, are casting eyes at Green's job in the second district. Up to the neck in politics, Gandy, the拓者 of the Gandy.

Rep. W. P. Allard, Bartow and Tallahassee attorney, will oppose the venerable老人, Justice J. B. Whitfield, for re-election to the circuit court.

Rep. George Clegg of the 10th district, 36 years on the bench, over

so years of age, can retell today

of his pension of \$625 a month.

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Materials for other garments and yarn for knitting may be had from Mrs. J. H. Bordeaux. All ladies of the community are requested to help in this work.

SMEARING PEPPER
A "smear" campaign against Senator Pepper is being waged by an eastern newspaper with an-

U-British and isolationist leanings. Hand money is being spent to dig up anything against the Senator which can be found and distorted into propaganda that would discredit him. German agents still can employ citizens with good American names to do their fifth columning in these United States.

FULLER'S FULMINATIONS
by Fuller Warren**THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION**

September 17, 1941, will be the 154th anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States of America. It should be a day of reverent and grateful rejoicing for every American who loves his country. Next to the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of independence, no document should be dearer to the people of America.

For One Hundred and Fifty-Four Years, the Constitution of the United States has given to countless millions of American citizens a full measure of freedom and liberty never enjoyed by the people of any other nation. The Constitution has been the law of the land for a century and a half. Our Constitution has made a glorious and grateful reality of the truth proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence that all men are created equal, to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

For fifteen decades the great government that was formed and created by the Constitution has been in the trust and best sense a "government of the people, by the people, for the people."

At no time in that generation have the people of America been so moved by the spirit of gratitude and glad for the privileges and rights which the United States Constitution gives and guarantees to the citizens of our nation. Never before has this great Constitution stood for us in such grave danger of being taken from us. Never before has the way of life under the Constitution been served and protected so long been in such terrible peril. Never before has the freedom, the liberty, the equality, and the prosperity that the Constitution makes possible for the American millions been so threatened and challenged by the tyranny and terror of Godless dictatorship. The most brutal and bloodthirsty butchery ever known in history is riding the earth actually threatening the independence and the sovereignty of this nation, as expressed in the U.S. Constitution.

At this terrible time it is fitting and proper that all patriotic Americans should give devoted study to the great charter of our freedom, the Constitution, in order that all of us may be more re-

solutely determined to defend and preserve at all hazards our Constitution and the great government which it creates and maintains. Accordingly, this week and for the next week I am going to set forth some of the most important and fundamental provisions of the Constitution that so profoundly and intimately affect our lives as a free people.

The portion of the Constitution known as the Bill of Rights and entitled the First Amendment contains the guarantees of freedom and liberty that mean so much to every American. The first amendment contains five individual freedoms, as follows:

They are: (1) Freedom of speech; (2) Freedom of the Press; (3) Freedom of assembly; and (5) the right to petition the government for redress of grievances or wrongs.

No nation can long remain free without these rights. No dictator can gain absolute power so long as the people are secure in their right to speak and assemble. The first thing that every dictator does upon his accession to power has been to ruthlessly crush and stamp out the freedom of speech and assembly. He could not last six months if he permitted his subjects to freely express their views of him and his cut-throat accomplishments. If Germany had not been a nation of freedom of expression, as they are in America, they could stir up a revolution in ninety days. If freedom of assembly were permitted the Germans, as it is in the United States, a million mass meetings could be held in a month and the people aroused to a fury against the brutal and barbaric

excesses of Hitler and his sadistic henchmen. If the people of Germany were permitted to petition for redress of grievances, millions of mothers could protest against the senseless slaughter of their sons sent to die in the power of a half-crazy ex-tyrants.

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his wife, who are buried at Sylvan Abbey, were born before Washington became our country's first president."

Upon inquiry the ancient headstones do not reveal the reactions and experiences of these early residents of Florida which at that period had a larger Indian than white population.

RETURN TO CANAL POINT
Mr. J. S. Harrington and Mrs. Jane Sims and Miss Mable Harrington to Tallahassee where they will enter F. S. C. W. Mr. Harrington has been unable to obtain a place to stay with relatives for a few days while Mrs. Harrington visited in Moreton, Ga. They returned to Canal Point Wednesday.

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